

NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION Notice of Memorandum of Agreement

AGENCY: National Capital Planning Commission.

ACTION: Notice of Memorandum of Agreement Between the National Capital Planning

Commission and the Smithsonian Institution

SUMMARY: The National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) and the Smithsonian

Institution (Smithsonian) have entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) effective

December 20, 2018. The MOA details the process the two agencies will follow to comply

with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) 42 U.S.C. 4371). NCPC has a NEPA

obligation for projects submitted by the Smithsonian to NCPC for review and approval.

The Smithsonian is not considered a federal agency for NEPA purposes and has no NEPA

obligation. The MOA is required by NCPC's NEPA Regulations (1 CFR Part 601) to establish a cooperative working relationship between the parties to ensure NCPC's

compliance with NEPA. A copy of the MOA is online at NCPC's website at the following

location:

https://www.ncpc.gov/docs/MOA NCPC Smithsonian NEPA December2018.pdf

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Authority: 42 U.S.C. 4371, 1 CFR 601.5(b).

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